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A Report to the 35th District

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Dear Neighbor,

As I write this letter, the weight of the events of September 11th hang heavy in our thoughts and our hearts. What these events portend for us is not yet clear, but I sense a greater feeling of unity and a search for common purpose.

If the courageous instincts of those firefighters, police officers and civilians in New York and the passengers on that flight over Pennsylvania are endemic in our citizenry, then we can be assured that the value of "life" as it is stated in our Constitution is not just a word on paper but a living part of our very souls. What Americans seem to love most about our Constitution is its reference to "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." In the past, those who did not enjoy our liberties have mistaken these attributes for weakness and lived to regret that mistake- they will again. Americans have fought for over two centuries to secure and maintain liberty. In that pursuit we are hardened warriors.

In our state, we are working hard to prepare our emergency services personnel for any possible crisis. Simultaneously, we are working to restore the day-to-day confidence of our citizens that we are safe and secure.

Inside is a guide to emergency services in your community. Feel free to contact these agencies if you experience an emergency or would like to

know more about their crisis response preparations. Many of these agencies need volunteers, too. Please consider spending some of your time in service to your community.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to represent you in Olympia, and be sure to contact my office with your questions or suggestions about public safety and other issues of concern to you.

Sincerely,

Bill Eickmeyer

Rep. Eickmeyer recently appeared at the groundbreaking for the SATSOP Park substation. The substation will provide power to SATSOP Park and the surrounding area.

photo courtesy of John Hoder



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PUBLIC SAFETY:

In state government we are working to strengthen everyone's sense of security by paying careful attention to the agencies and programs designated to respond to a crisis.

Emergency Operations Center

Although we have not experienced a tragedy comparable to the attacks on New York and Washington, DC, we did learn much about how our state responds to crisis during last February's earthquake.

On that Capitol-shaking day last February, the state's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) at Camp Murray leapt into action within minutes, bringing together 150 employees from state agencies and the National Guard to coordinate the state's response. The EOC performed admirably during that difficult time. The staff was able to rapidly collect information about transportation problems, school and public facility closures, and where citizens could turn for help.

Bremerton Readiness Center

Last year we invested in an important emergency response project dedicated to preparing firefighters, paramedics, and law enforcement officers to deal with emergencies. The Bremerton Readiness Center, located in the 35th District, is an emergency response training facility that will be used by the U.S. Navy, the Kitsap County Fire District, area police officers, and the National Guard. This multi-agency effort will be up and running soon, serving as a critical element in our emergency response system.

Department of Health

The state Department of Health is working hand-inhand with the State Military Department's Emergency Management Division and the Washington State Patrol to prepare for any health hazard. The agency is also in regular contact with federal officials at the Department of Health and Human Services in Washington, DC. Two years ago, the department began preparing for any possible major health problem, serving as part of an anti-terrorism council of state officials.

For more information about the Washington State Department of Health's preparations for any health emergencies, visit the department's website at http://www.doh.wa.gov/.

Hopefully we will never experience an event like that which occurred in New York and Washington, DC. Still, we will continue to do our best to prepare the state for any crisis that may arise.

Guide to **Emergency Services:**

POLICE / FIRE / AMBULANCE EMERGENCY911 WASHINGTON STATE www.access.wa.gov		
State Patrol: Non-emergency (360) 438-7700 http://www.wa.gov/wsp/wsphome.htm		
Department of Health (360) 236-4501 www.doh.wa.gov/		
General Emergency Information and Resources		
http://access.wa.gov/emergency/index.asp		
KITSAP COUNTY www.kitsapgov.com/		
Kitsap County Emergency Management		
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MASON COUNTY www.co.mason.wa.us/	Bremerton-Kitsap County Health District(360) 337-5235
Mason County Dept. of Emergency Management	(360) 337-5235 www.wa.gov/kitsaphealth/
(360) 427-7535 www.co.mason.wa.us/Emergency_Management/ EMmain.htm	CITY OF OLYMPIA www.ci.olympia.wa.us/government/
Mason County Sheriff's Office South County (360) 427-9670 Ext. 313 http://so.co.mason.wa.us/	Olympia Police Department (360) 753-8300
North County(360) 275-4467 Ext 313	Olympia Fire Department (360) 753-8348
West County (360) 482-5269 Ext 313	CITY OF SHELTON www.ci.shelton.wa.us/
Mason County Department of Personal Health (360) 427-9670 ext. 400 www.co.mason.wa.us/health/phmain.htm	Shelton Police Department (360) 426-4441 www.ci.shelton.wa.us/police.htm
THURSTON COUNTY www.co.thurston.wa.us/	Shelton Fire Department (360) 426-3348 www.ci.shelton.wa.us/fire.htm
Thurston County Emergency Management (360) 754-3360 www.co.thurston.wa.us/em/	CITY OF MCCLEARY http://users.techline.com/mccleary/
Thurston County Sheriff's Office (360) 786-5500	McCleary Police Dept. 1-800-281-6944
Thurston County Public Health & Social Services	1-800-281-0944 http://users.techline.com/mccleary/ police_department.htm
(360) 786-5581 www.co.thurston.wa.us/health/welcome.html	McCleary Fire Department 1-800-281-6944
GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY www.co.grays-harbor.wa.us	http://users.techline.com/mccleary/ fire_department.htm
Grays Harbor County Sheriff's Department 1-800-562-8714 or (360) 249-3711	VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES IN THE 35 [™] DISTRICT
www.co.grays-harbor.wa.us/info/sheriff/index.html Grays Harbor County Public Health & Social Services	Contact any of the above local government agencies or use the list below.
(360) 532-8665	Kitsap County Volunteer Services
CITY OF BREMERTON www.ci.bremerton.wa.us/	(360) 337-4650 www.kitsapgov.com/volunteer/
Bremerton Police Department (360) 478-5220	of Lewis, Mason and Thurston Counties Olympia (360) 586-7787
Bremerton Fire Department (360) 478-5380	www.volunteer-rsvp.org

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